paid and it is claimed that there are serious doubts as to the suffi-

ciency of the security; therefore,

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, That the Attorney-General be and is hereby instructed, at as early a day as practicable, to ascertain the condition of said loan, and of the security therefor; to take the necessary steps to secure and collect the amount due the State; and if practicable to report to the General Assembly at this session the condition of said loan and security and of his action in the premises; and, if he cannot at this session, to make report to the Governor relative thereto as soon as is practicable.

Approved, March 80, 1870.

NUMBER XIV.

PROPOSING AMENDMENT TO STATE CONSTITUTION.

JOINT RESOLUTION Proposing to Amend the Constitution of the State of Iowa, and to Provide for its Reference and Publication.

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, That the following amendments to the Constitution of the State of Iowa, be and are hereby proposed.

1st. Strike from Section one, of Article two, of said Constitution,

the word "male."

2d. Strike from Section four, of Article three, of said Constitution, the word "male."

Resolved further, That these resolutions proposing to amend the Constitution of the State of Iowa are hereby referred to the Legislature to be chosen at the next general election; and that the Secretary of State shall cause the same to be published for three months previous to the time of the next general election of members of the legislature in one newspaper in each congressional district.

Approved, April 4, 1870.

NUMBER XV.

WILLIAM B. CRITCHFIELD AND HENRY C. ANDERSON.

JOINT RESOLUTION for the Relief of William B. Critchfield and Henry C. Anderson, late soldiers of the Thirteenth Iowa Infantry.

WHEREAS, William B. Critchfield and Henry C. Anderson, privates of Company C, 13th regiment, Iowa Volunteer Infantry, were, on or about the 3d day of April, 1863, granted a leave of absence to go from